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GAME AGENTS ARREST
OYSTER BOAT CAPTAIN
WITH 51 WILD DUCKS

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Apprehended with 51 wild ducks in his oyster boat, the Josephine D, after docking in Washington, D. C., Captain Austin Daily, of Tangiers Island, Va., was held under \$200 bail yesterday (November 3) by United States Commissioner Needham C. Turnage. Daily pleaded guilty to "possession in closed season of wild trapped ducks."

The arrest was made by United States Game Management Agent Earnest Atkinson, assisted by Webb Midyette, of the Virginia State game commission. It followed a surveillance established at the Washington docks by the U. S. Biological Survey as a result of reports that oyster boats were illegally bringing in ducks to the capital city.

Midyette, assisted by Atkinson, also apprehended two men in Fredericksburg, Va., Nov. 2, in the act of selling wild ducks. Two ducks had been sold and 16 were still in their possession, all illegally held during closed season.

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